



Meeting Type	The Excellence Network- Regular Meeting- Minutes
Location	Held via ZOOM
Meeting Date	9/18/2020



- **Brainteaser Winner!** Amy Gartner (Gathering Place)
- **Inexpensive ideas for DSP appreciation** (discussion – CLE)
 - CSS – a small gift with a message of appreciation every day delivered to each of the homes
 - Gathering Place – virtual bingo with prizes, reaching out to each staff to express appreciation
 - CDS – Drive-in picnic, bracelets, masks with logo, used a “Friends” theme for the week
 - CLE – emergency kits with masks, hand sanitizers, gloves, CLE t-shirt
 - Brandi – has relationships with vendors that are perfect for the bargain-shopper, so feel free to reach out to her
 - David will send out contact information for one vendor in particular
- **Info gathering for game for next month** Think of a leader you respect, what traits do they possess?
 - Honest, integrity, consistent, fun, dependable, supportive, knowledgeable, respectful, approachable, charismatic, fair, not afraid to get hands dirty, a learner, receptive, teacher, encourage personal growth, humble, willing to admit when making a mistake, getting it right but not being right, involvement, optimistic, altruistic, encourager, realistic, facilitator, visionary, mission-driven, motivator, courageous, vulnerable, authentic
 - Book – Brene Brown – Daring to Lead
 - Also a Netflix special
- **Brittco** LCBDD in the process of determining a timeline to convert to new system – Any questions or concerns?
 - What features would be helpful to you as a provider/user?



- **Supplemental Medicaid Payments** DODD Director Jeff Davis shared that supplemental Medicaid payments to providers of homemaker/personal care, on-site/on-call, and shared living waiver services should be made by direct deposit or check on **Friday, September 18**. Providers who deliver participant-directed homemaker/personal care should receive payments from MorningSun by Wednesday of next week.
- **HPC Rate Increase** DODD & OACB announced agreement for second year reimbursement rates for homemaker personal care services. The intent of this investment is to increase the overall compensation of direct support professionals (DSPs) who are essential to support Ohioans with developmental disabilities and their families throughout the state.
 - In response to the financial situation related to the COVID-19 pandemic, Ohio's 88 county board of developmental disabilities have agreed to pay for the second year of the increase.
- **ICF Visitation changes** (Since some HPC providers based their policies on the ICF guidelines) DODD is targeting September 28 as the date for the Department of Health (ODH) order limiting ICF/IID visitation to be revised or rescinded to allow indoor visitation in accordance with guidelines still being finalized by DODD. ICFs can begin planning for indoor visitation with [draft guidance](#) the department furnished today.
 - The department also addressed outings for ICF residents. As a reminder, the ODH order limiting visitation does not restrict residents' ability to leave the setting. The department has received frequent inquiries from families on this subject and will issue guidance asking ICFs immediately to initiate planning for resuming community activities (including work, day services, school, visits with family, etc.). The guidance will include a person-centered approach encouraging a risk-benefit analysis as one part of the decision-making process. OHCA will share the guidance as soon as it becomes available.
- **Per-mile Non-Medical Transportation (NMT)** For new ISPs/service listings, ADS providers should request a 1:1 ratio for per-mile NMT. They will then bill it at the actual ratio used. This change is intended to minimize the need for multiple requests and addendums to reallocate miles or add ratios in the ISP. If you have questions about this please contact David.
- **Face masks required for all DSPs when providing services** After Ohio's [statewide mask order](#), several county boards of DD received questions from providers about face mask requirements for DSPs serving people in private residences. The provision of Ohio's order specifying that masks are not required in private residences applies only to people living in those residences—not professionals such as DSPs who are in a home to perform services. **Masks are required for DSPs.** DODD addresses this in two documents. On page 5 of the [LTSS Pre-surge Guidance](#), which remains in effect, DODD lists facial coverings as a requirement for all staff in all service settings. Facial covering requirements are also covered in questions 18 and 19 in DODD's [LTSS Pre-Surge Guidance FAQ document](#).
- **Upcoming NPI Requirement for All Medicaid Waiver Providers** Per DODD's communication on 9/7/20—"National Provider Identifier (NPI) number will be a requirement for all Medicaid waiver providers in 2021. A communication on how to obtain this number and suggestions on what taxonomies (service categories) to use will be sent" to providers' email address on file with the Ohio Department of Developmental Disabilities in the PSM Portal.



- What we think is the letter is attached, along with the list of service codes. The suggestion is to obtain this by 12/31/20.
- **Outcome Reviews** Transition Specialists will be reaching out to providers for outcome reviews information
- **Training** Reach out to Teresa Whipkey if you have any training needs



National Provider Identifier Requirement for Waiver Providers

This is a notice to certified providers of waiver services through the Ohio Department of Developmental Disabilities (DODD), the Ohio Department of Aging (ODA), and providers of state plan services through the Ohio Department of Medicaid (ODM) that there is a new requirement for which you will need to take action. Effective November 25, 2019 ODM implemented a policy under Administrative Code 5160-1-17 requiring all providers to obtain a National Provider Identifier (NPI) and keep it on file with ODM.

Federal law requires that an NPI be used to identify providers on any standard transaction (such as a claim) for health care services. Since waiver services are paid in part using federal Medicaid funds, you must obtain an NPI and update your records with ODM to include your NPI. This notice explains how to obtain an NPI, and how to obtain and report your individual NPI to ODM.

It is recommended that you complete the actions required in this notice by December 31, 2020

National Provider Identifiers - Background

NPIs are issued by the National Plan and Provider Enumeration System (NPPES) and are used nationwide to identify providers in a standard way. The NPI is similar to an ODA provider number, DODD contract number or Medicaid provider number. These numbers are not considered protected health information (PHI) because they do not contain personally identifiable information such as date of birth or social security number.

Several resources exist to assist you, including step-by-step instructions for completing the online application to obtain an NPI. The table below lists a variety of scenarios to guide you based on individual circumstances. You can find more information on the ODM website here:

<https://medicaid.ohio.gov/Provider/EnrollmentandSupport/ProviderEnrollment>

I am...	Actions Required
An existing waiver provider with DODD, ODA, and/or ODM with a 7-digit Medicaid ID but have not obtained an NPI	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Obtain your individual NPI. If needed, use the NPI Reference Guide found on the ODM website referenced above - Contact ODM to update your record by e-mailing the information to: Medicaid_Provider_Update@medicaid.ohio.gov - To ensure timely processing of your request, please enter "NPI Update" in the subject line and include the following information: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Your first and last name o Your Medicaid ID o Your NPI o Reason for request (i.e., need to update records)
An existing waiver provider with DODD, ODA, and/or ODM with 7-digit Medicaid ID and have an NPI that is not on record with ODM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Contact ODM to update your record by e-mailing the information to: Medicaid_Provider_Update@medicaid.ohio.gov - To ensure timely processing of your request, please enter "NPI Update" on the subject line and include the following information: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Your first and last name o Your Medicaid ID o Your NPI o Reason for request (i.e., need to update records)
Not sure	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Contact your respective agency to obtain this information

For questions not addressed in this memo, please contact ODM Provider Assistance at ODM by calling 1-800-686-1516

National Provider Identifier and Taxonomy Guidance for Providers of DODD Waiver Services

In accordance with Administrative Code rule 5160-1-17, all providers with an available taxonomy are required to have a National Provider Identifier (NPI) on file with ODM. This includes certified providers of waiver services through the Ohio Department of Developmental Disabilities (DODD), the Ohio Department of Aging (ODA), and providers of state plan services through the Ohio Department of Medicaid (ODM).

The NPI is a number unique to an individual or organization and is utilized in program integrity measures such as provider screening and business processes such as claims processing. When requesting an NPI, at least one taxonomy must be selected to identify the type of organization, practitioner or services provided. Multiple taxonomies may be associated with a single NPI. For individuals and organizations who do not already have an NPI, this guide identifies some of the taxonomies available to choose from when requesting an NPI.

Providers who request an NPI should select the taxonomy which most closely describes the type of organization, practitioner, or services provided by the applicant. Practitioners who hold a professional license should select a taxonomy that best describes that licensure. Additional taxonomies may be selected depending on individual circumstances and services provided.

Please note: This is for informational purposes only and does not represent all available taxonomies. For a full list of available taxonomies, refer to NUCC guide found here: <https://www.nucc.org/index.php/code-sets-mainmenu-41/provider-taxonomy-mainmenu-40/pdf-mainmenu-53>.

Service Category	DODD Service(s)	Possible Taxonomy	NUCC Taxonomy & Description
Transportation	Non-Medical (NMT) Non-medical – Commercial (CNMT)	343900000X	Non-emergency Medical Transport (VAN). A land vehicle with a capacity to meet special height, clearance, access, and seating, for the conveyance of persons in non-emergency situations.
Transportation	Homemaker Personal Care (HPC)	347C00000X	Private Vehicle. An individual paid to provide non-emergency transportation using their privately owned/leased vehicle.
Transportation	Homemaker Personal Care (HPC)	172A00000X	Driver. A person employed to operate a motor vehicle as a carrier of persons or property.
Adult Day Service	Adult Day Support	261QA0600X	Adult Day Care
Employment	Career Planning	101YP2500X	Counselor – Professional

Employment	<p>Career Planning: - Benefits Education and Analysis; Worksite Accessibility</p> <p>Group and individual employment supports</p> <p>Vocational Habilitation</p>	251C00000X	Day Training, Developmentally Disabled Services. These agencies are authorized to provide day habilitation services to developmentally disabled individuals who live in their homes. The function of day habilitation is to assist an individual to acquire and maintain those life skills that enable the individual to cope more effectively with the demands of independent living. Also to raise the level of the individual's physical, mental, social, and vocational functioning.
Adaptive Technology and Environmental Modifications	Environmental Accessibility Adaptations	171W00000X	Contractor. A person who contracts to supply certain materials or do certain work for a stipulated sum; esp., one whose business is contracting work in any of the building trades.
Adaptive Technology and Environmental Modifications	<p>Specialized Medical Equipment (Adaptive Assistive Equipment)</p> <p>Assistive Technology Consultation or Equipment & Supports</p>	171WH0202X	Home Modifications
Respite or Long-Term Care	Community Respite	385HR2050X	Respite Care Camp. A camping facility that provides specialized respite care to individuals requiring enhanced services to enable them to remain in the community, (e.g., those with developmental delays, mental retardation, mental/behavioral disorders).
Respite or Long-Term Care	Residential Respite	385HR2060X	Respite Care, Intellectual Disabilities and/or Developmental Disabilities, Child. A facility or distinct part of a

			facility that provides short term, residential care to children, diagnosed with intellectual and/or developmental disabilities as respite for the regular caregivers.
Professional	CTI - Clinical/Therapeutic Interventionist (CTI) - SELF Waiver	103T00000X	Psychologist. An individual who is licensed to practice psychology which is defined as the observation, description, evaluation, interpretation, and modification of human behavior by the application of psychological principles, methods, and procedures, for the purpose of preventing or eliminating symptomatic, maladaptive, or undesired behavior and of enhancing interpersonal relationships, work and life adjustment, personal effectiveness, behavioral health, and mental health.
Professional	CTI - Senior Level Specialized Clinical/Therapeutic Interventionist (CTI) – SELF Waiver	103TM1800X	Intellectual Disabilities & Developmental Disabilities
Professional	CTI - Specialized Clinical/Therapeutic Interventionist – SELF Waiver	103TC1900X	Counseling. A psychologist who specializes in general practice and health service. It focuses on how people function both personally and in their relationships at all ages.
Professional	Functional Behavioral Assessment – SELF Service	106E00000X	Assistant Behavior Analyst. An individual qualified by Behavior Analyst Certification Board certification and/or a state-issued license or credential in behavior analysis to practice under the supervision of an appropriately credentialed professional behavior analyst.
Professional	Functional Behavioral Assessment – SELF waiver service	103K00000X	Behavior Analyst. A behavior analyst is qualified by at least a master's degree and Behavior Analyst Certification Board

			certification and/or a state-issued credential (such as a license) to practice behavior analysis independently.
Professional	Interpreter Services	171R00000X	Interpreter. An Interpreter is a person who translates oral communication between two or more people. This includes translating from one language to another or interpreting sign language.
Professional	Money Management	251X00000X	Supports Brokerage. A provider of service/function that assists participating individuals to make informed decisions about what will work best for them is consistent with their needs and reflects their individual circumstances.
Professional	Participant/Family Stability Assistance--Counseling (SELF waiver service) Participant/Family Stability Assistance--Training (SELF waiver service)	253Z00000X	In Home Supportive Care. Provides services in the patient's home with the goal of enabling the patient to remain at home.
Professional	Social Work	104100000X	Social Worker. A person who is qualified by a Social Work degree, and licensed, certified or registered by the state as a social worker to practice within the scope of that license.
Professional	Waiver Nurse Delegation (WND)	374U00000X	Home Health Aide. A person trained to assist public health nurses, home health nurses, and other health professionals in the bedside care of patients in their homes.
Nutrition & Meals	Home Delivered Meals	332U00000X	Home Delivered Meals. Services or activities designed to prepare and deliver one or more meals a day to an individual's residence in order to prevent institutionalization, malnutrition, and feelings of isolation.

Nutrition & Meals	Nutritional Services	133N00000X	Nutritionist. A specialist in adapting and applying food and nutrient knowledge to the solution of food and nutritional problems, the control of disease, and the promotion of health.
Homemaker and Personal Care	Homemaker Personal Care Participant Directed HPC	376J00000X	Homemaker. An individual who provides general household activities such as meal preparation, laundry, and light housekeeping, when the individual regularly responsible for these activities is temporarily absent or unable to provide for himself.
Homemaker and Personal Care	Homemaker Personal Care Participant Directed HPC	3747P1801X	Personal Care Attendant. An individual who provides assistance with eating, bathing, dressing, personal hygiene, activities of daily living as specified in the plan of care.
Homemaker and Personal Care	Shared Living Community Transition	253Z00000X	In Home Supportive Care. Provides services in the patient's home with the goal of enabling the patient to remain at home.
Homemaker and Personal Care	Support Brokerage (SELF waiver service) Support Brokerage – Unpaid (SELF waiver service)	251X00000X	Supports Brokerage. A provider of service/function that assists participating individuals to make informed decisions about what will work best for them is consistent with their needs and reflects their individual circumstances.
County Board Services	Supported Living	253Z00000X	In Home Supportive Care. Provides services in the patient's home with the goal of enabling the patient to remain at home.